

10-Year Health Plan - FSH Response

The Federation of Specialist Hospitals (FSH) welcomes the publication of the Government's 10-Year Health Plan and its ambition to build an NHS centred on community-based care, prevention and digital innovation.

In particular, the following aspects of the 10YHP provide the foundations for specialist hospitals to play their part in delivering a sustainable, responsive NHS that can deliver excellent outcomes to the patients that need it:

- A diverse and devolved operating model where good performance is rewarded with greater financial autonomy and more freedom to innovate.
- Renewed emphasis on quality of care and the consolidation and simplification of the quality landscape, including reform of the National Quality Board (NQB).
- Focus on ensuring that we can "lead the world in life sciences" by embedding expertise in clinical research and innovation more deeply across patient pathways and care settings, including a commitment to "put the NHS at the front of the global genomics revolution and make the NHS the most artificial-intelligence-enabled care system in the world."
- Recognition that specialism can be deployed across patient pathways and in a range of care settings to improve patient outcomes and reduce pressure on the hospital front door.

The work of implementation begins now and the Federation would welcome the opportunity to collaborate with policy makers, NHS colleagues, and partners in academia and the life sciences industry, to deliver the plan's full potential; ensuring patients have equitable access to world class care, while supporting the NHS to innovate, integrate, and improve services.